FAA SOUTHERN REGION RUNWAY SAFETY SUMMIT June 11-12, 2008

Theme: Federal Aviation Administration Solutions vs Problems

Purpose: Collaboration with FAA and Industry Aviation Officials

Attendees: 242 diverse participants

Airport Operators/Managers

- Airline Representatives, Airline/Cargo and General Aviation Pilots
- Industry Groups/Safety Professionals
- State Aviation Organizations
- FAA Air Traffic organization Controllers/Managers
- FAA Flight Standards Organization Inspectors/Managers/POIs/CMOs
- FAA Airports Division/ADOs
- FAA Management Regional and National

Day One: June 11, 2008

The Southern Region's Regional Administrator, Doug Murphy, provided the welcome and opening remarks to the participants. Featured were 4 dynamic speakers:

- Wes Timmons Director of Runway Safety, HQ
 Provided an overview and update of runway safety statistics.
- Jaime Figueroa FAA/ATO Operations Planning, HQ
 Provided an overview on Runway Incursion Prevention Systems.
- 3) First Officer Steve Jangelis, Delta Airlines ALPA So Regional Safety Coordinator

Provided an overview on "Promoting Runway Safety, The Pilot's Perspective". Based on actual events as he was involved in a Runway Incursion at FLL in March 2001.

4) Dr. Robert "Key" Dismukes, Chief Scientist for Aerospace Human Factors, NASA-Ames Research Center

Provided a dynamic briefing on Multi-tasking, Memory Failures and a Perspective on Human Error. His talk centered on why highly skilled experts make errors performing routine tasks.

Thursday, June 12, 2008, featured 4 breakout sessions conducted concurrently, 1 hour each for 4 hours:

- 1) Airport Surface Safety Rusty Chapman Mgr, Airports Division
 - Review of Training and new surface markings resulted in 50 safety recommendations
- 2) Flight Standards Augusto Casado Executive Offficer
 - Pilot Training, Cockpit Procedures, and Employee Training resulted in 27 safety recommendations.

3) Air Traffic Organization – Brian Lentini – Manager, Georgia District Easter Terminal Service Area

Taxi Clearances and Voluntary Reporting – resulted in over 25 safety recommendations

4) Human Factors/New Technologies – Dr. Key Dismukes, Jaime Figueroa

- Improved Safety Culture – resulted in 20 safety recommendations centering mostly around human factors.

At the end of the breakout sessions, the participants returned to the main conference room, where each facilitator/manager provided 3-5 top safety recommendations, which will be compiled and tracked by the Runway Safety Program Office.

The 2008 Runway Safety Summit was a major success! The Regional Administrator, Director of Runway Safety and the Regional Runway Safety Team greatly appreciate everyone's active participation and commitment to prevent and eliminate runway incursions. Your continued involvement is very valuable!